GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
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WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE TO MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank have agreed to provide financial assistance to the Government of Maharashtra for water supply schemes in the State;

(b) if so, the amount of assistance provided by the World Bank;

(c) the number of districts likely to be covered as a result thereof; and

(d) the extent to which the water supply position is expected to be improved ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI)

(a) to (d) The Second Maharashtra Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Project estimated to cost Rs. 1656.2 crore including a component of Rs. 1274.75 crore for rural water supply and Rs. 381.45 crore of sanitation was posed to the World Bank by Department of Economic Affairs for possible World Bank assistance in September, 2001. Project Preparation Activities for the Project have been initiated by Government of Maharashtra with Japanese grant of US$ 4,20,000 through World Bank. The project is proposed to cover 848 uncovered and 12,913 partially covered habitations in the districts of Nagpur, Beed, Kolapur, Latur, Buldhana, Satara, Sindhudurg, Osmanabad, Solapur, Washim Akola, Nashik, Wardha, Parbhani, Hingoli and Thane. The project is to be implemented within a span of six years from the date of commencement. However, for urban water supply the World Bank has not provided any financial assistance in Maharashtra at present.